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DEVELOPMENT OF PORT AT PATNA
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have decided to develop a port at Patna on river Ganga;

(b) if so, the amount sanctioned by Government for the purpose; and

(c) the time by which the navigation is likely to be started both upstream and downstream from Patna?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government has sanctioned an amount of Rs.25.50 Crores for construction of an Inland Water Cargo terminal at Gaighat, Patna.

(c) Navigation from Patna is already taking place, though on a limited scale. From Patna inland navigation is possible upto Allahabad in the upstream and also upto Haldia in the downstream and further to Assam through inland waterways of Bangladesh under the protocol route.